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# H. R. 2381

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Ms. NORTON introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure

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# A BILL

To provide grants to States in order to prevent racial profiling.

1       *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*  
2       *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3       **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4       This Act may be cited as the “Racial Profiling Pre-  
5       vention Act”.

6       **SEC. 2. GRANT PROGRAM TO PROHIBIT RACIAL PROFILING.**

7           (a) GRANTS.—Subject to the requirements of this  
8       section, the Secretary shall make grants to a State that—  
9               (1)(A) has enacted and is enforcing a law that  
10          prohibits the use of racial profiling in the enforce-

1       ment of State laws regulating the use of Federal-aid  
2       highways; and

3               (B) is maintaining and allows public inspection  
4       of statistical information for each motor vehicle stop  
5       made by a law enforcement officer on a Federal-aid  
6       highway in the State regarding the race and eth-  
7       nicity of the driver and any passengers; or

8               (2) provides assurances satisfactory to the Sec-  
9       etary that the State is undertaking activities to  
10      comply with the requirements of paragraph (1).

11      (b) ELIGIBLE ACTIVITIES.—A grant received by a  
12     State under subsection (a) shall be used by the State—

13               (1) in the case of a State eligible under sub-  
14       section (a)(1), for costs of—

15                       (A) collecting and maintaining of data on  
16       traffic stops;

17                       (B) evaluating the results of the data; and

18                       (C) developing and implementing programs  
19       to reduce the occurrence of racial profiling, in-  
20       cluding programs to train law enforcement offi-  
21       cers; and

22               (2) in the case of a State eligible under sub-  
23       section (a)(2), for costs of—

24                       (A) activities to comply with the require-  
25       ments of subsection (a)(1); and

(B) any eligible activity under paragraph (1).

### 3 (c) RACIAL PROFILING.—

**19**      (d) LIMITATIONS.—

1                   (2) ELIGIBILITY.—A State may not receive a  
2                   grant under subsection (a)(2) in more than 2 fiscal  
3                   years.

4                   (e) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—

5                   (1) IN GENERAL.—There is authorized to be  
6                   appropriated from the Highway Trust Fund (other  
7                   than the Mass Transit Account) to carry out this  
8                   section \$7,500,000 for each of fiscal years 2016  
9                   through 2020.

10                  (2) CONTRACT AUTHORITY.—Funds authorized  
11                  by this subsection shall be available for obligation in  
12                  the same manner as if the funds were apportioned  
13                  under chapter 1 of title 23, United States Code, ex-  
14                  cept the Federal share of the cost of activities car-  
15                  ried out using such funds shall be 80 percent, and  
16                  such funds shall remain available until expended and  
17                  shall not be transferable.

